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ARMSTRONG

BLOOMSBURG

4	Final	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E	5
	ARMSTRONG (25-6)	1	0	2	0	0	1	0	4	7	2	
	BLOOMSBURG (9-1)	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	5	14	0	

QUEENS (N.C.)

ARMSTRONG

6	Final	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	R	H	E	7
	QUEENS (N.C.) (9-15)	1	0	3	2	0	0	0	6	7	1	
	ARMSTRONG (25-5)	0	0	4	0	2	0	1	7	13	2	





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FLORENCE, S.C. - The No. 8-ranked Armstrong Atlantic State University softball squad split a pair of seventh-inning thrillers on Sunday, wrapping up action at the FMU Patriot Invitational in Florence, S.C. The Pirates downed Queens (NC), 7-6, on **Lauren Wilcox's** RBI single in the seventh but fell to No. 17 Bloomsburg, 5-4, on the Huskies' own walkoff single in the seventh.

Armstrong moves to 25-6 on the season with the split on Sunday and will face Queens (NC) in a 2:00 p.m. doubleheader on Monday in Charlotte, N.C.

In game one, the Pirates trailed the Royals, 6-4, heading into the bottom of the fifth inning but a two-run home run from senior **Baillie Temples** tied the game at 6-all. That set the stage for the bottom of the seventh as senior **Whitney Galloway** led off the inning with a single to center field, and senior **Heather Walker's** bunt single put

BATTING
ARMSTRONG
2B: none
3B: none
HR: Baillie Temples 2
BLOOMSBURG
2B: Chrissy Belko
3B: none
HR: none

FULL STATS

BATTING

runners at first and second. A sacrifice from **Brittany Cooley** moved the runners up one base and Wilcox then delivered with the game-winning single up the middle for the 7-6 victory.

Shelby Duff (1-0) picked up the win for the Pirates in relief, throwing 4 2/3 innings of one-hit, two-run ball, walking two while striking out five. **April Jowers** went 4-for-4 to extend her hitting streak to 36 consecutive games, while Galloway went 3-for-4.

Bloomsburg and the Pirates then locked up in a tight affair that involved five lead changes all the way to the bottom of the seventh. Armstrong scored a run in the first on **Alexis Mercer's** RBI single, but Bloomsburg notched two runs in the third on Mandi Bear's two-run single.

The Pirates went back on top in the third on a two-run home run from **Temples**, but the Huskies tied it up in the bottom of the third on Chrissy Belko's single to center field.

Each team plated a run in the sixth inning as **Temples** added her second home run of the game and third of the day, a solo shot, but Bloomsburg answered with an RBI single by Rachel Fredell.

In the bottom of the seventh, Kayla McHale led off with a single and, after a fly out and a fielder's choice back-to-back singles by Mandy Leach and Bair scored Raychelle Kuhns with the winning run.

Cait Paine (7-0) notched the win for the Huskies, hurling seven innings of seven-hit, four-run ball, striking out three. **Celia Blome** (3-1) took the loss for the Pirates, giving up 14 hits and five runs - two earned - in 6 2/3 innings pitched, walking three while striking out five.

Temples finished the second game 3-for-3 with three runs scored and three RBIs. Brittany Cooley added two hits and April Jowers went 0-for-2 to see her hitting streak end at 36. That streak is the fifth-longest streak in NCAA Division II history and covered the last six games of 2011 and the first 30 games of 2012.

QUEENS (N.C.)

2B: Amanda Meade; Shelby O'Brien

3B: none

HR: none

ARMSTRONG

2B: Ashley Buckett

3B: none

HR: Baillie Temples

FULL STATS



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